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FOR UNESCO

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SUBJECT: UNESCO MASS MEDIA DECLARATION

REF: STATE 236696

1. FOREIGN OFFICE (DEETJEN) WELCOMES MEETING AS DESCRIBED REFTEL IN ANY LOCATION, NOT EXCLUDING WASHINGTON, D.C. FONOFF, HOWEVER, PREFERS PARIS SITE SINCE FRG DELEGATION HAS PROPOSED INCLUDING FRENCH IN DISCUSSIONS. ACCORDING TO FONOFF, SEPARATE FRENCH DRAFT CANNOT BE EXCLUDED AND FRG DELEGATION HAS ALREADY PROPOSED FRG-GOF COORDINATION.

2. FRG REPRESENTATIVE TO PARIS TALKS WOULD BE FRITZ VON ROTTENBURG WHO COULD MEET STOWE ON SEPT. 30. (VON ROTTENBURG WAS FRG DELEGATE TO UNESCO CONFERENCE IN DEC. 1975.) FONOFF ADVISES THAT SEPT. 30 IS ADVANTAGEOUS, ALLOWING FOR ADDITIONAL DAY OF DISCUSSIONS, IF NECESSARY, BEFORE WEEKEND.

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3. COMMENT: FONOFF OBVIOUSLY PREFERS PARIS MEETING SITE (WITH BONN AS NEXT ALTERNATIVE) AND AGREES WITH URGENCY OF COORDINATING US AND FRG DRAFTS. FONOFF DOES FEAR POSSIBLE FRENCH INITIATIVE TO POSTPONE FURTHER DISCUSSIONS OF DRAFT RESOLUTIONS UNTIL AFTER MEETING OF EC-9 ON UNESCO MATTERS OCT. 6 AT THE HAGUE. FRG PERMDEL IN PARIS HAS APPARENTLY TRIED TO PREEMPT FURTHER COMPLICATIONS AND DELAYS BY BRINGING FRENCH INTO CLOSE CONSULTATIONS NOW IN THE HOPE THAT, IF DIRECTLY INVOLVED, FRENCH WILL NOT INSIST ON DEFERRAL. END COMMENT.

4. SINCE THIS CABLE WAS DRAFTED, FONOFF (DEETJEN) HAS INFORMED US THAT FRG PERMDEL IN PARIS HAS RELAYED THAT FRENCH PARTICIPATION IN US-FRG DISCUSSIONS IS LESS LIKELY THAN PREVIOUSLY THOUGHT BUT STILL POSSIBLE. NEVERTHELESS, DEETJEN INDICATED FRG SITE PREFERENCE IS STILL PARIS WHERE "ANOTHER DELEGATION, POSSIBLY BRITISH" COULD BE CALLED UPON TO PARTICIPATE. HILLENBRAND

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